

OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS

MAILS WILL BE CLOSED
For Honolulu and Caliao.—Per P.M. day the 11th instant, at 11.30 a.m.
For other Port 12cents per 1 oz. No
later than 11.30 a.m.

MAILS WILL BE OPENED
For Yokohama.—Per Tanna, to-day
instant, at 11.30 a.m.

For Shanghai.—Per Suddi, to-day,
instant, at 5 p.m.—Late letters to
open on Monday, the 13th instant.

For Manila.—Per Macao, to-mor-
row instant, at 11.30 a.m.

For Straits Settlements.—Per P.M.
the 12th instant, at 1.30 p.m.

For Hongkong.—Per P.M. instant, Poon-
deylo, to-morrow, the 12th instant.

For Saigon.—To-morrow, the 12th
instant, at 2 p.m.

For Amoy, Tamsui, and Taiwan—
open on Monday, the 14th inst., at
1.30 p.m.

For Straits Settlements and Caliao
P.M. and Hongkong, on Tuesday,
instant, at 2.30 p.m.

**MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PA-
NE**
The English Contract Packet "GEOR-
GE" will be despatched with the mails for
London, on Monday, the 12th instant.

The following will be the hours of
Mail, &c.

WEDNESDAY, 10th instant.
P.M. Money Office Office closes.
At 1.30 p.m. the Post Office closes. No
which remains open all night.

THURSDAY, 11th instant.
A.M. Post Office opens for sale of
offices of Letters, and Posting of
Letters.

10.0 a.m. Post Office closes except for
tials: Registry of Letters closes.

10.15 a.m. Letters may be posted on p
the 11th instant, at 11.30 a.m.

11.30 a.m. when the Post Office CLOSES
11.30 a.m. Letters (but Letters only)
to the United Kingdom and Straits
Settlements, and to the Colonies, and
with Late P.M. 48 cents extra per
1.00 a.m., when the Mail is finally o-

**MAILS BY THE FRENCH PA-
NE**
The French Contract Packet "E-
" will be despatched from Hongkong on
DAY, the 24th instant, with
and through the United Kingdom and
Colonies, and to the Colonies, and to
Adelaide, Australia, New Zealand, Tamsui,
Hankow, Amoy, Szechuan, Canton, Manilla,
and Alexandria. This is the best op-
portunity for forwarding Correspondence to Ea-

Letters may also be forwarded to
this Packet, but can be paid only as far as
on the postage to Ceylon must be
paid, but will arrive on from Ceylon as

The following will be the hours of the Mails, &c.:-
 11 A.M. 3rd instant, P.M. Money-Order Office closes. P.M. closes the NIGHT BOX, which open all night.
 11 A.M. 5th instant, P.M. The P.O. opens for sale of Registry of Letters, and Posting of sendence.
 11 A.M. History of Letters closes.
 11 A.M. Post Office closes except for letters.
 11 A.M. Letters (but Letters not posted on payment of a Late Fee or extra postage, until
 11 P.M. when the Post Office Closes fully.

Correspondence for the West Indian colonies belonging to the Postal Union may be sent by the Costa Rica, Monte Video, New Granada, Paraquay, Uruguay, and other Colonies. A cargo can no longer be sent via Rio de Janeiro.

COMMUNICATION WITH RATAIA
 The Netherlands Indian Packet leaves every fortnight, and are fitted to go to the outward P. O. Mail from the

The French Packets for China
 to be approved for the Packet, from Buiton
 B follows that, to forward Crew
 to Batavia with the least delay, the
 French Packet, from Buiton, to
 In the S. W. Monsoon. The English Mail.
 The French Mail.
 To the N. B. Monsoon. The English Mail.
 A Private Steamer a few days
 The French Mail.

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' LETTERS.
 Private in H. M. Army or Navy.
 Commanded. Civil Engineer, Engineer,
 Artificer, Assistant Engineer, Gunner,
 or Carpenter), Army Schoolmaster,
 Superintendent of First Class)
 United Kingdom and Foreign Letters
 Packet for one year; or by Hindustani
 Packet, three times a year. The
 property for the purpose of correspond-
 ing, as Imperial Letters.
 The Soldiers' and Sailors' Letters
 form to the following regulations:—
 1.—Not to exceed half an ounce.

3--If to a Soldier or Sailor, his
 description must be stated in full, or
 and the Commanding Officer must
 name, with name of Regiment, or Ship,
 and Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.

Repaid Letters are not received
 in Mail Packets.

Letters of recommendation
 for the discharge of correspond-
 ents in India, Ceylon, and Aden, is
 their value opportunity it is forwarded.

There will be communication with
 British India and Port Darwin, as follow:

July 20th.	September 14th.	DUE AT SYDNEY
July 31st.	October 1st.	DUE AT SYDNEY
August 10th.	October 1st.	DUE AT SYDNEY
August 19th.	October 31st.	DUE AT MELBOURNE
August 25th.	November 1st.	DUE AT MELBOURNE
August 31st.	November 12th.	DUE AT ADELAIDE
		DUE AT ADELAIDE

For the present the correspondence will be published in the English language, but will be forwarded without further change to the Chinese authorities.

Most countries to which Hongkong consulates have been opened, and to which consular correspondence having joined the Postal Union of being probably about to be opened, it is necessary that the following regulations should be observed:

- 1.—No Letter or Packet, whether by land or by water, or unregistered, can be received free of duty, unless it contains only newspapers, or any other articles,—or anything that, as such articles,—or any other articles, is liable to Customs duties.
- 2.—This Regulation prohibits the same articles from being sent by parcel post, so small as to make the same exempted from duty.
- 3.—The Limits of weight allowed are as follows:

BOOKS AND PAPERS.—To British Colonies, 10 lbs.; to other Colonies, 5 lbs. **PATTERNS.**—50, if without illustration; 25, if with illustration. **BOOKS AND PAPERS.**—To the Continent, 10 lbs. **PATTERNS.**—50 lbs.

- 4.—The following articles cannot be sent by parcel post, viz:—Liquids, Explosives, Gunpowder, Dynamite, Matches, Candles, Soap, Indigo, Drugs, and other articles dangerous to the Mail or otherwise dangerous to persons dealing with the same.

The public is reminded that in Canada there is no such thing as a free lunch, and that the Government is not going to attempt to send small business bankrupt through the Post Office, Canada, and similar programs—longer routes, the Government is spending more in postage than we save and the freight by air mail. No refund on such parcels of the value of \$100.00 and over, because the nature of these parcels has not been discovered.

PATTERNS.

Some difficulty experienced in obtaining a pattern for a sample of goods, or a sample of goods which he is to make, or a goods which he is to make, is to be made of the smallest quantity possible with a minimum of goods, and must have no limitations.

